

Designations

- Preserve – Land acquisition after 1993 designated a Park Preserve under the Park Preservation Law (Article 20)
- Bird Conservation Area – Undeveloped and suitable recent acquisitions added to the BCA.
- Natural Heritage Area – The Preserve is designated a Natural Heritage Area

Carrying Capacity

- Continue to control quantity of use through parking and monitor the carrying capacities within the Preserve.

Natural Resource Plans

- Invasive Species - Continue to implement the Invasive Species Management Plan
- Fire Management - Support the Shawangunk Ridge Fire Management Plan to enhance and promote biodiversity and reduce wildfire threats.
- Deer Management - Deer management strategies are supported. Monitor biodiversity threats within the Preserve.
- Hunting - Allowed and expanded in Preserve based on biodiversity needs.
- Lake Habitat - Further study of aquatic habitat is required.

Design Guidelines

- The design character will be rustic and cognizant of the surrounding natural features and history of the area.
- Consider sustainable practices.

Construction Practices

- Shall be considerate of the landscape, historic character and vegetation.
- Straw for erosion control will be certified weed free.
- Consider sustainable practices.

Landscaping

- Landscaping will consist of native vegetation

Carriage Roads

- The existing uses and designations will remain.
- Maintenance Plan will be implemented.

Footpaths

- The Long Path - The expansion of the Long Path in the Mine Hole Area is recommended.
- The Scenic Trail will be rerouted to its previous location on the South side of Mud Pond.
- Footpath provided connecting the Awosting parking lot to the Lake Minnewaska beach
- Footpath provided connecting the Peter's Kill office to the Power House.

Historic Vistas

- Scenic and historic vistas throughout the Preserve which have grown in will be selectively thinned upon assessment.

Sustainability

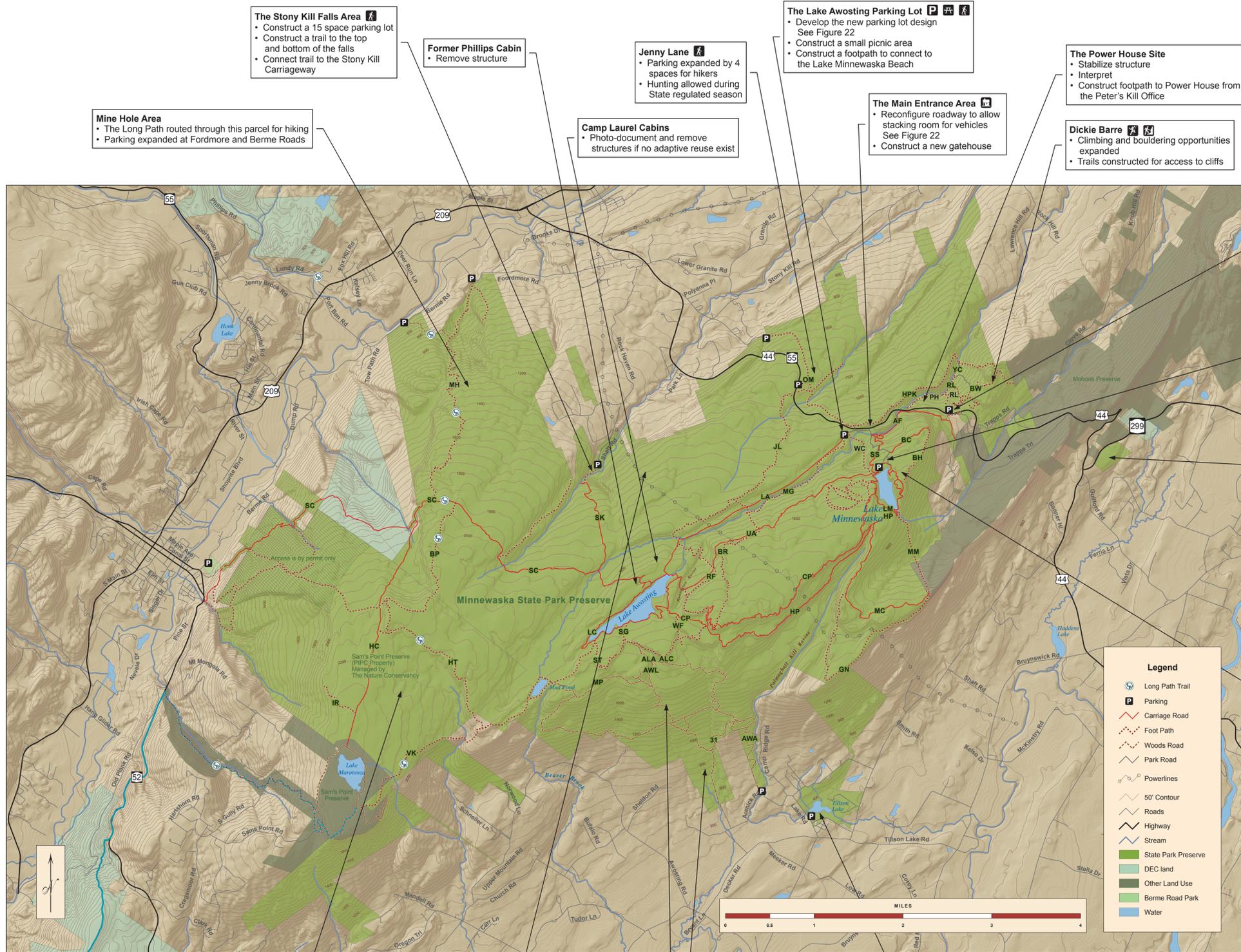
- Sustainable concepts will be implemented in all aspects of the preserve where practical. These areas include: operations, management, design, construction and education.

Interpretation and Education

- Continue to foster a sense of environmental stewardship through hands-on interpretive programming.
- Programming will focus on topics including but not limited to climate change, sustainability, fire ecology, invasive species and species diversity.
- Interpretation and education will be coordinated from the Visitor Center.
- Develop an interpretive plan with signage and brochures for the Lake Minnewaska area.

Partnerships

- Continue to work with all existing partners and facilitate new partnerships for natural resource research, protection and recreational activities.



The Stony Kill Falls Area

- Construct a 15 space parking lot
- Construct a trail to the top and bottom of the falls
- Connect trail to the Stony Kill Carriageway

Former Phillips Cabin

- Remove structure

Jenny Lane

- Parking expanded by 4 spaces for hikers
- Hunting allowed during State regulated season

The Lake Awosting Parking Lot

- Develop the new parking lot design See Figure 22
- Construct a small picnic area
- Construct a footpath to connect to the Lake Minnewaska Beach

The Power House Site

- Stabilize structure
- Interpret
- Construct footpath to Power House from the Peter's Kill Office

Dickie Barre

- Climbing and bouldering opportunities expanded
- Trails constructed for access to cliffs

The Main Entrance Area

- Reconfigure roadway to allow stacking room for vehicles See Figure 22
- Construct a new gatehouse

Camp Laurel Cabins

- Photo-document and remove structures if no adaptive reuse exist

Mine Hole Area

- The Long Path routed through this parcel for hiking
- Parking expanded at Fordmore and Berme Roads

Peter's Kill Area

- The Peter's Kill Office becomes a support facility for the Preserve Office and Visitor Center including a Park Police office.
- Parking is expanded by 20 spaces upon increased climbing demand. See Figure 23

Maintenance Facility

- A new roof installed
- Concrete floor replaces dirt floor
- A break room and flush restroom constructed for staff
- Concrete block walls stabilized
- The building is screened from public view through the use of vegetation and topography.

Campground

- The Shawangunk Gateway Campground will be constructed on an adjacent property owned by OPRHP and managed by other organizations. This area is not part of the Preserve. See Appendix E.

The Lake Minnewaska Area

- Develop new sustainable Preserve Office and Visitor Center in the former Phillips house See Figure 20
- Develop new parking lot design See Figure 21
- Remove and revegetate Wildmere parking lot
- Expand picnic area
- Construct new flush restroom
- Screen maintenance facility from view
- Stabilize/Renovate the stable as a support facility for the Visitor Center.
- Remove yurt upon the construction of the Visitor Center.
- Inactive landfill closed
- Five historic gazebos will be reconstructed
- Cliffhouse picnic area remains
- Beach area remains the same size and capacity
- Distance swimming agreement remains the same.
- Fishing is not allowed in lake
- Non-motorized boating is allowed in lake
- SCUBA diving is allowed in lake

The Lake Awosting Area

- Swimming remains at the existing beach area.
- Fishing is not allowed in lake

The Aumick Farmstead

- Coordinate with SHPO to preserve, stabilize or remove structures on farmstead

Tillson Lake

- Renovate the boat launch area
- Redesign parking lot and enhance gravel surfacing
- Fishing and motorized/non-motorized boating opportunities remain
- Remove delapidated/unwanted structures
- Lake House
 - Short Term: secure and preserve
 - Long Term: coordinate with SHPO for reuse or demolition
- Club House
 - Renovate - adaptive reuse for Invasive Species Management or seasonal housing

Sam's Point Preserve Area

- Remains under the management of The Nature Conservancy

The Awosting Reserve Area

- Construct a looped single track trail system for mountain biking
- Construct a 20 vehicle parking lot at the Awosting Reserve entrance road for horse trailers and cars.
- Utilize Wood Roads for hiking, biking, and equestrian use See Appendix B - Trails Plan.



Master Plan Minnewaska State Park Preserve

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